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TO: Frederick County Planning Commission FROM: Denis Superczynski, Principal Planner

RE: Monrovia Town Center PUD Phase I, Case # R-12-02

Reguest Rezone 457 acres from Agricultural (A) to Planned Unit Development (PUD)

**Applicant** 75-80 Properties, LLC and Payne Investments, LLC

**Location** East of Ed McClain Road and north of MD 80 at its

intersection with MD 75 (Urbana Region)

## **Background**

This request is being reviewed concurrently with a DRRA and the Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance (APFO) review.

The applicant proposes to develop a community that will include 1,510 dwelling units, multiple public use sites, and a street/pedestrian network fully integrated into the existing state and county networks. Of the 1,510 dwellings proposed in the land use plan, 930 units would be developed as single family detached homes with the remainder (580) to be developed as single family attached town home, and multi-family dwellings.

The gross residential density of the project as proposed is 3.3 dwelling units per acre. Higher density development would be located in the land areas closest to the intersection of MD 75 and MD 80 identified as land areas "D" and "E" on the Concept Plan. In those two land areas – approximately 153 acres combined – the density would range from 5 to 8.5 du/acre, taking advantage of the proximity to community recreation areas, the existing Green Valley Elementary School, a potential high school site (51+ acres), and several acres of land zoned General Commercial (GC). Lower density residential development – from 2.8 – 4.5 du/acre - is identified in land areas along the northern, eastern, and western edges of the PUD. Approximately 140 acres of the PUD are set aside for open space and green areas.

In addition to a potential site for a future high school, the applicant offers three other public use sites:

- A 3.5 4.0 acre fire station site located along MD 80 approximately 1,000 feet west of MD 75
- potential water tank site located on the southwest corner of the PUD site
- Approximately 25 acres of potential public park sites clustered along the eastern border of the PUD adjacent to Weller Rd.

The transportation network envisioned for the PUD illustrates connections to existing county and state roadways including Green Valley Road, Fingerboard Road, Ed McClain Road, and Weller Road. An east-west collector roadway, identified in the County's Comprehensive Plan, is illustrated as connecting Ed McClain Road and MD 75. This collector road would intersect with the entrance to the Landsdale PUD on the east and could be extended to meet Weller Road on the western edge of the Monrovia Town Center community through interconnections with the internal roadway network in the new community.

The Monrovia Town Center project would be served by extensions to the public water and sewer systems. The applicant is negotiating a cost-sharing agreement with the developers of the Landsdale PUD who is facilitating the design and construction of the Bush Creek Interceptor and the extension of the East County water transmission line.

